

**REMARKS**

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding office action is respectfully requested.


The objection to claims 6 and 21 is respectfully traversed in view of the above amendments.

The rejection of claims 1 and 22-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 (1<sup>st</sup> para.) for lack of written description is respectfully traversed in view of the above amendments.

In view of all of the foregoing, it is submitted that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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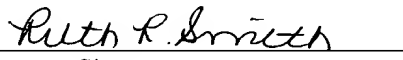
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